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PATENT

Docket No. 310.00370101

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Liu et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1743  
Serial No.: 10/673,538 ) Examiner: Maureen Wallenhorst  
Confirmation No.: 1846 )  
Filed: September 29, 2003 )  
For: **METHODS AND KITS FOR THE DETECTION OF ERYTHROCYTES**

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE  
UNDER 37 CFR §1.116**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed December 2, 2005, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner enter the amendment submitted herewith. It is respectfully submitted that the amendment fully addresses the rejections remaining in the instant application and places the application in condition for allowance.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on the page entitled "Amendments to the Claims."

Remarks begin on the page entitled "Remarks."

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